IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT

In re Application of:) =, " (() () [-]CE
ANDRÉ MATTHAEI et al.) Group Art No. 1400
Serial No.: 10/018,462) Group Art No.: 1498)
Filed: April 25, 2002) Examiner: TBA
For: METHOD & DEVICE FOR PRODUCING GRANULATES FROM INTERMEDIATE PRODUCTS OF THERMOPLASTIC POLYESTERS AND COPOLYESTERS) Docket No.: 000137.00019)

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 et seq., enclosed is a Form PTO 1449 listing documents by the Examiner during the prosecution of the application captioned above. Because these documents are being provided within the time period specified under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3), we believe that no fee is due. However, if the Patent Office determines otherwise, please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

By:

Steven P. Schad Registration No. 32,550

BANNER & WITCOFF, LTD. 1001 G Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20001 Telephone: (202) 824-3000

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO BADEN

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

Complete if Known **Application Number** 10/018.462 Filing Date April 25, 2002 First Named Inventor Andre Matthaei et al. Group Art Unit 1498 **TBA Examiner Name**

(use as many sheets as necessary)

000137.00019 Attorney Docket Number of Sheet

	U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials *	Cite No.1	Document Number Number - Kind Code ² (if known)	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevar Passages or Relevant Figures Appear		
			MM-DD-YYYY				
		US-5,188,838	02-23-1993	DELEUIL ET AL.			
	ļ						
-	 						

	OTHER PRIOR ART NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS			
Examiner Initials *	Cite No.1	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T²	
			-	
	_			

	 	T	
Examiner Signature	Date Considered		

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at <u>www.uspto.gov</u> or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.